

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-27. (canceled)

28. (currently amended) A plastics material section (10, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70) made of a ~~by a method including a step of producing~~ a thermoplastics material, ~~part (10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70)~~ and at least one cycle of steps comprising:

~~forming a localized opening through an area of said part which is of constant thickness,~~

~~heating said part locally by means of a heating probe (15, 32, 42, 52, 62, 72) so as to render said area of said part plastic, and~~

~~using a punch (15, 32, 42, 52, 62, 72) to modify the geometry of said area rendered plastic so as to delimit in said part a mechanically weakened area constituting a hole or hole precursor,~~

said section having a longitudinal succession of mechanically weakened areas forming holes or hole precursors,

wherein each mechanically weakened area is delimited by a contour (74) formed by through-openings (71), and wherein said weakened area has an oblong section.

29. (canceled)

30. (currently amended) The section claimed in claim ~~29~~47 wherein each hole precursor is a blind hole whose bottom is constituted by a continuous web.

31. (currently amended) The section claimed in claim ~~30~~47 wherein ~~theat least one of said hole precursors~~ at least one of said hole precursors has an oblong shape.

32. (currently amended) An electrical wiring trunking ~~including~~comprising a cover and a base portion ~~which is a length of~~ constituted by a thermoplastics material section according to claim 30.

33. (currently amended) The section claimed in claim ~~29~~47 wherein each hole precursor is a through-hole ~~bordered~~surrounded by a ~~peripheral~~continuous annular web.

34. (previously presented) The section claimed in claim 33 wherein the hole precursor has an oblong shape.

35. (currently amended) An electrical wiring trunking ~~including comprising~~ a cover and a base portion ~~which is a length of~~ constituted by a thermoplastics material section according to claim 33.

36. (currently amended) The section claimed in claim ~~2947~~ wherein each hole precursor is ~~an area delimited by a~~ closed contour formed by a succession of blind openings along the periphery of the hole.

37. (previously presented) The section claimed in claim 36 wherein the hole precursor has an oblong shape.

38. (currently amended) An electrical wiring trunking ~~including comprising~~ a cover and a base portion ~~which is a length of~~ constituted by a thermoplastics material section according to claim 36.

39. (currently amended) The section claimed in claim ~~2947~~ wherein each hole precursor is ~~an area delimited by a~~ closed

contour formed by a succession of through-openings located along the periphery of the hole.

40. (previously presented) The section claimed in claim 39 wherein the hole precursor has an oblong shape.

41. (currently amended) An electrical wiring trunking ~~including~~comprising a cover and a base portion ~~which is a length of~~constituted by a thermoplastics material section according to claim 39.

42. (currently amended) The section claimed in claim ~~29~~47 wherein each hole precursor has an oblong shape.

43. (currently amended) An electrical wiring trunking ~~including~~comprising a cover and a base portion ~~which is a length of~~constituted by a thermoplastics material section according to claim ~~29~~47.

44. (currently amended) The section claimed in claim ~~29~~47 wherein each hole precursor is ~~an area delimited by a closed~~ contour formed by a groove.

45. (currently amended) An electrical wiring trunking ~~including comprising~~ a base portion constituted by ~~an elongated a~~ plastic material section according to claim 47, ~~provided with a longitudinal plurality wherein each of said hole precursors is~~ adapted to receive a fixation ~~screws~~ screw.

46. (canceled)

47. (New) A thermoplastics material section having a U-shaped cross section and comprising a wall having two longitudinal edges and two flanges each extending transversely to said wall and each joined to a respective longitudinal edge of said wall, wherein:

said section contains a longitudinal succession of mechanically weakened areas, each mechanically weakened area being a precursor for a hole having a closed periphery; and

at least one of said precursors consists of one of:

a blind hole whose bottom is constituted by a continuous web;

a through-hole surrounded by a continuous annular web; and

a closed contour formed by a groove, or by a succession of blind openings or by a succession of through

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openings located along the periphery of the hole.

48. (new) The section claimed in claim 47 wherein said longitudinal succession of mechanically weakened areas is provided in said wall.